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FOR H. LINDOW, USDOC ADVANCE OFFICER FOR SUBJECT MISSION

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SUBJECT: TEXTILE MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT TRADE MISSION

1. BOGOTA AIRPORT HAS RESUMED NORMAL DAYTIME FLIGHT OPERATIONS AND AIRLINES HAVE RETURNED TO NORMAL FLIGHT SCHEDULES. THIS WOULD PERMIT RETURN TO ORIGINAL TRAVEL SCHEDULE CARACAS-BOGOTA-MEDELLIN, I.E., LV CARACAS JUNE 5 VIA VIASA FLT 788 AT 1400 HOURS, ARRIVE BOGOTA 1445 HOURS & LV BOGOTA VIA AVIANCA FLT 132 AT 1600 HOURS, ARRIVING MEDELLIN AT 1635 HOURS. IN OTHER WORDS, ON TO MEF LLIN JUNE 5 WITH NO ONVERNIGHT IN BOGOTA.

2. THE CONSULATE HAS CONFIRMED THAT THE ABOVE SCHEDULE IS FEASIBLE AND THAT BOGOTA-MEDELLIN RESERVATIONS ARE AVAILABLE. THE CONSULATE ALL ALONG HAS RETAINED TENTATIVE JUNE 5 HOTEL RESERVATIONS AT INTER-CONTINENTAL MEDELLIN FOR MISSION. A SHIFT TO THE PARAGRAPH ONE FLIGHT SCHEDULE WOULD PERMIT THE CONSUL AND BPAO TO BRIEF THE TRADE MISSION LATE AFTERNOON JUNE 5 FOLLOWED BY A RESTFUL UNSCHEDULED EVENING AND AN EARLY (8:30 AM) START ON APPOINTMENTS THURSDAY JUNE 6. IT ALSO AVOIDS THE DANGER OF A LATE ARRIVAL ON THURSDAY, IF THE MEDELLIN AIRPORT HAS MORNING FOG, AS SOMETIMES HAPPENS. FOR ALL OF THESE REASONS, THE CONSULATE STRONGLY URGES PARA ONE FLIGHT SCHEDULE. USDOC PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST.

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3. THE LUNCHEON INVITATION TO THE TRADE MISSION BY ANDI (NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS) IS SET FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 6 12:00 - 14:00. THE CONSULATE HAS DECLINED SEVERAL OTHER OFFERS BY COLOMBIAN TEXTILE FIRMS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO INVITE THE MISSION TO LUNCH OR PLANT VISITS AS A GROUP. OUR FEELING IS THAT SUCH GROUP INVITATIONS WOULD TIE UP THE LIMITED DISCRETIONARY TIME AVAILABLE TO INDIVIDUAL MISSION MEMBERS FOR FOLLOWING UP THEIR OWN INTERESTS. THE CONSULATE HAS RESPONDED THAT INDIVIDUAL INVITATIONS WOULD BE WELCOMED BY TRADE MISSION MEMBERS.

4. ALL OTHER SCHEDULE ARRANGEMENTS REMAIN AS STATED IN REFTEL, EXCEPT PLEASE NOTE THAT IN RESPONSE TO USDOC 6363 THE CONSULATE MADE DEPARTURE RESERVATIONS FROM MEDELLIN JUNE 8 ON FLIGHT MM 105 (SAM) LEAVING MEDELLIN AT 1700, ARRIVING BOGOTA 1745 HOURS, NOT RPT NOT AVIANCA FLIGHT 133 AS INDICATED REFTEL. CONSULATE HAS AGAIN CONFIRMED FLIGHT MM 105 (SAM) RESERVATIONS.

5. WITH RESPECT TO THE BUDGET ESTIMATES IN REFTEL, THE ENTHUSIASM FOR THE MISSION WHICH THE CONSULATE S MAILING PROGRAM AND BPAO S PUBLICITY PROGRAM APPEARS TO BE AWAKENING HAS LED THE CONSULATE TO ADVISE THE HOTEL TO PLAN FOR UP TO 125 GUESTS AT THE JUNE 7 MISSION RECEPTION, RATHER THAN 95 GUESTS. IF THE HIGHER TURNOUT MATERIALIZES, THE COST OF CANAPE SERVICE WOULD INCREASE FROM *266 TO *336. THE CONSULATE THINKS THE ORIGINAL LIQUOR AND CORKAGE ESTIMATES WILL STILL SUFFICE.

6. OTHER PREPARATION NOTES: THE MISSION S SECRETARY/ RECEPTIONIST IS ON BOARD AND WORKING& THE ATTRACTIVE MISSION BROCHURES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AND ARE BEING MAILED OUT IN THE CONSULATE S 3RD AND FINAL MAILING& AND RECEPTION INVITATIONS HAVE BEEN PREPARED.

7. FINALLY, THE CONSUL AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANT HAVE CALLED ON 25 LEADING TEXTILE FIRMS AND REPRESENTATIVES TO OBTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING MARKET NEEDS, CONCERNS AND PROSPECTS. SEPTTEL FOLLOWS ON THIS SUBJECT.

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